

## Study Information:

### **Iraq and Afghanistan War Veterans & Partners**

needed for a research study  
to learn about family readjustment  
after a combat deployment

### **Complicated Family Reintegration of OEF/OIF Veterans: “The VALOR Study”**



Readjustment of a Veteran in the time after deployment involves change and adaptation and is a little stressful to all family members. Few studies examined the functioning of families in the post-deployment period and very few have attempted to understand the role of trauma related psychiatric symptoms on functioning of families.

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#### **Purpose of research:**

- To understand how war-related stress symptoms may interfere with family re-adjustment

#### **Reasons to participate:**

- The findings could help us learn how to help Veterans readjust to civilian life
- You will be compensated for your participation

#### **Requirements for participation:**

- Served a combat deployment in Iraq Afghanistan
- Separated from service within the last two years
- Married or living with a relationship partner

#### **What you will do as a participant:**

- Veteran and partner will participate in interviews upon enrollment and again 12 months later
- Some couples will be asked to do an additional interview

#### **Confidentiality and Safety:**

- Your information is kept confidential and safe and your participation will in no way affect your treatment
- Study has been reviewed and approved by the Review Board of the Philadelphia VA Medical Center



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